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Honorable Howard W. Cannon, Chairman Committee on Rules and Administration United States Senate Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Thank you for your letter of March 6, 1975 concerning the designation of Mr. John K. Swearingen of the Rules Committee staff as custodian of the material which this Agency delivered during the investigation of the Select Committee on Presidential Campaign Activities.

Much of the information involved is extremely sensitive, and an understanding concerning its utilization consistent with my statutory responsibility for protecting intelligence sources and methods was reached with Senator Baker when the material was turned over to him.

STAT Mr. Swearingen has been in contact with Legislative Counsel staff and I do believe the most satisfactory procedure for assuring the appropriate handling of the material would result from their joint review of the material and confirming the procedures arrived at in a subsequent letter. We will institute this arrangement immediately on the assumption that it will be satisfactory to you.

In furtherance of your request, we have asked the Office of the Secretary of Defense, Legislative Liaison, to update Mr. Swearingen's security clearances on an expedite basis.

Sincerely,

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